



Dear Colleague:

I am writing to seek your assistance in identifying potential candidates for Vice Chair of the Canadian Task Force on Preventive Health Care (CTFPHC) <http://canadiantaskforce.ca/>.

The CTFPHC is a well-known panel of experts skilled in critical appraisal, evidence review methods and the application of evidence in clinical decision making with an international reputation for the development of independent evidence-based guidelines for primary care practitioners. We volunteer our time and expertise for a four-year term to contribute to the development and promotion of these guidelines. The CTFPHC is the primary source of evidence-based clinical practice guidelines in the area of preventive health care in Canada and their guidelines are endorsed by the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC).

Since its re-establishment in 2009, the CTFPHC has published clinical practice guidelines for primary care practitioners on screening for breast cancer, Type 2 diabetes, hypertension, cervical cancer, depression in adults, prostate cancer, prevention and management of adult and child obesity, screening for cognitive impairment in older adults, colorectal cancer, pelvic exam, lung cancer, developmental delay in children, tobacco and children, hepatitis C and, most recently, abdominal aortic aneurysm.

Interested candidates may send their cover letter, résumés and three references to Chantal Plante, Business Manager, Public Health Agency of Canada by e-mail at chantal.plante@canada.ca before March 11, 2018. A Selection Committee will review these submissions according to the attached criteria and will recommend a candidate for appointment as Vice Chair by the Chief Public Health Officer, Public Health Agency of Canada and a representative of the CFPC by June 2018.

Please note that we are only able to consider applicants who are family physicians. This is because the Task Force requires that either the Chair or the Vice-Chair be a family physician, and the Chair is not a family physician.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Brett Thombs, PhD
Chair, CTFPHC